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SUBJECT: INCLUSION OF BERLIN IN EC/SOVIET FISHERIES  
AGREEMENT

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1. IN VIEW OF THE IMPORTANCE OF THE EC FISHERIES AGREEMENT  
TO THE COMMERCIAL AND POLITICAL INTERESTS OF OTHER  
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COMMUNITY MEMBERS, INCLUDING THE UK AND FRANCE, THE DEPART-  
MENT BELIEVES THE US SHOULD BE CAREFUL NOT TO TAKE SIDES  
ONE WAY OR ANOTHER AT THIS EARLY STAGE OF THE NEGOTIATIONS  
ON WHAT IS BASICALLY A QUESTION OF NEGOTIATING TACTICS ON  
HOW INCLUSION OF BERLIN CAN BEST BE ACHIEVED. THEREFORE,  
IN DISCUSSION OF THIS ISSUE AT FEBRUARY 18 BONN GROUP  
MEETING, US REP SHOULD ADOPT THE FOLLOWING POSITION:

A. THE US AGREES THAT INCLUSION OF BERLIN IN COVERAGE OF THE AGREEMENT SHOULD BE ASSURED. HOWEVER, SINCE WE ARE NOT PARTICIPATING IN THE TALKS WITH THE SOVIETS, IT IS DIFFICULT FOR US TO JUDGE AT THIS POINT HOW THE QUESTION SHOULD BE PURSUED WITH THE USSR. WE BELIEVE THE NEGOTIATING TACTICS ARE A QUESTION FOR THE BONN GROUP MEMBERS WHO ALSO BELONG TO THE EC TO DECIDE. US REP SHOULD ATTEMPT TO LIMIT HIS STATEMENT TO THE ABOVE POSITION.

B. IF PUSHED FOR A VIEW ON THE PROCEDURE PROPOSED BY THE FRG, US REP SHOULD STATE THAT WE BELIEVE THE GENERAL APPLICABILITY CLAUSE (ARTICLE 9) WOULD BE ADEQUATE TO INCLUDE BERLIN. WE DO NOT BELIEVE THE INTERPRETATIVE STATEMENT SET FORTH IN PARA. 3A OF REFTTEL IS NECESSARY, BUT WE WOULD SEE NO HARM IN HAVING IT MADE. WE BELIEVE THE QUESTION OF THE DISCUSSION BETWEEN THE COMMUNITY NEGOTIATOR AND THE SOVIET NEGOTIATOR AT THE END OF THE CURRENT ROUND IS A TACTICAL MATTER ON WHICH WE WOULD NOT WISH TO TAKE A POSITION UNTIL WE HAVE HAD A CHANCE TO REVIEW THE NEGOTIATING SITUATION MORE FULLY.

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